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SUBJECT: INDIAN OCEAN NAVAL TASK GROUP LOGISTIC SUPPORT

REFS: A. ISLAMABAD 0103 B. ISLAMABAD 0443

1. REFTEL A OUTLINED POTENTIAL PROBLEMS WHICH MIGHT RESULT FROM USE OF MASROOR FOR LOGISTIC RESUPPLY OF INDIAN OCEAN TASK GROUP DURING EARLY FEBRUARY. DOD INFORMS US THAT REFTEL A CROSSED WITH FORMAL NAVY REQUEST FOR CLEARANCES, WHICH WE ASSUMED DAO HAD ACTED UPON. REFTEL B CLARIFIED STATUS OF CLEARANCE REQUESTS.

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2. NAVY INFORMS US THAT THEIR ANTICIPATED REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE ONE (POSSIBLY TWO) C-141 FLIGHT(S) INTO MASROOR. APPROX 36 TONS MAIL AND CARGO, AND 20 PERSONNEL, WOULD TRANSIT TO/FROM CVTG. CAOGO WOULD "BBROUGDLED BY AND RX FIFTEEN CVTG PERSONNEL WHO WOULD BE BROUGHT INTO AND REMOVED FROM MASROOR BY HELICOPTER. OPERATION WOULDENTAIL ABOUT 18 HELICOPTER FLIGHTS, AND IT WOULD APPEAR THAT IT

COULD BE COMPLETED IN ONE DAY. ONLY REQUIREMENT FOR PAKNAV OR COMMERCIAL ASSISTANCE IS ONE 5000 POUND FORKLIFT, AND DRIVER.

3. TIMELY REPORTING HAS ALERTED ALL CONCERNED TO POTENTIAL PROBLEMS WHICH COULD ARISE WITHOUT CAREFUL COORDINATION AND REALISTIC REQUESTS FOR PAKISTANI NAVAL FACILITIES AND SUPPORT. WE ARE NOW MORE SENSITIVE TO THE NEED TO INVOLVE EMBASSY EARLY ON IN FUTURE PLANNING, AND HAVE BEEN ASSURED THAT THIS WILL BE DONE. THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT EARLIER MULTIPLE-INPUT NAVAL REQUESTS MIGHT HAVE OVERLOADED PAKNAV COOPERATION CIRCUITS. ACTIONS UNDERWAY TO COORDINATE THESE REQUIREMENTS SHOULD PREVENT FUTURE OVERLOADS. THE PRESENT CASE WOULD NOT, HOWEVER, APPEAR TO REQUIRE AN UNUSUAL EFFORT ON THE PART OF PAKNAV IN THAT SCARCE PORT FACILITIES OR OTHER SUPPORT OF A SIGNIFICANT NATURE HAVE NOT RPT NOT BEEN REQUESTED. ADDITIONALLY, SINCE MASROOR HAS ALREADY BEEN USED FOR SIMILAR SUPPORT, SUCH AS IN MIDLINK EXERCISE, NO NEW PRECEDENT IS INVOLVED.

4. NOW THAT WE HAVE LOGISTICS REQUIREMENTS, WOULD HOPE THAT EMBASSY WILL CONCLUDE THAT THE REQUESTED SUPPORT THROUGH MASROOR CAN BE ARRANGED. USE OF MASROOR FACILITIES IS SOUGHT WHETHER OR NOT PAKNAV PARTICIPATES WITH TASK GROUP. SHOULD AMBASSADOR CONCLUDE, HOWEVER, THAT NAVY LOGISTIC PROPOSAL WOULD SERIOUSLY OVERLOAD PAKNAV CIRCUITS, REQUEST ADVISE SOONEST.

5. QUESTION OF SUNKEN PAKNAV QUOTE SX-404 UNQUOTE SUB-  
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